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TO HIS EXCELLENCY SHAYKH KHALIFA BIN SALMAN AL KHALIFA

PRIME MINISTER OF THE STATE OF BAHRAIN

'S HYATT HOUSE, ROOM 2364

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YOUR EXCELLENCY:

ALTHOUGH TRAGEDY HAS PREVENTED OUR MEETING THUS FAR, HIS HIGHNESS AND OTHER MEMBERS OF YOUR FAMILY HAVE RECEIVED ME WITH SUCH KINDNESS THAT I FEEL ABLE TO EXPRESS TO YOU PERSONALLY MY GRIEF AT THE PASSING OF YOUR SON, SHAIKH MOHAMMED BIN KHALIFA.

ALL AMERICANS WHO KNOW YOUR EXCELLENCY AND YOUR FAMILY ARE DEEPLY SADDENED, AND I SPEAK FOR ALL OF US IN EXTENDING MOST HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES.

IN MY BRIEF STAY IN YOUR COUNTRY I HAVE SENSED THE GREAT AFFECTION AND ADMIRATION IN WHICH SHAIKH MOHAMMED WAS HELD. I ONLY HOPE THAT IN HIS YEARS IN MY COUNTRY HE FOUND JOY AND SATISFACTION COMMENSURATE WITH HIS EXCELLENT ACHIEVEMENTS AS A STUDENT THERE.

ALL OF US WHO HAVE SONS REALIZE THERE IS NO WAY TRULY TO LIGHTEN THE BURDEN OF YOUR GRIEF. BUT BE ASSURED THAT THE HEARTS OF THE MANY AMERICAN FRIENDS OF BAHRAIN ARE WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY AT THIS SAD MOMENT. SINCERELY,
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